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VIA ELECTRONIC & U.S. FIRST CLASS MAIL

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Confirmation of Extension Request regarding Request for Information Pursuant to Section 104(e) of CERCLA for Northwest Aluminum Company, Golden Northwest Aluminum Holding Company, and Northwest Aluminum Specialties, Inc., The Dalles, Oregon

Dear Ms. Queitzsch:

This letter confirms our telephone conversation on August 15, 2012, that the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) grants Golden Northwest Aluminum Holding Company an extra 45 days after the initial deadline of August 27, 2012 to respond to its Section 104(e) request. Specifically, we agreed to commence providing documents responsive to the request on the deadline of August 27, 2012 and will continue preparing our response to your questions and supply any other relevant documents by October 10, 2012.

If you have any questions regarding the confirmation of our extension request, please contact me at your earliest convenience.

Very truly yours,

Douglas C. MacCourt

cc: Dennis Faulk

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